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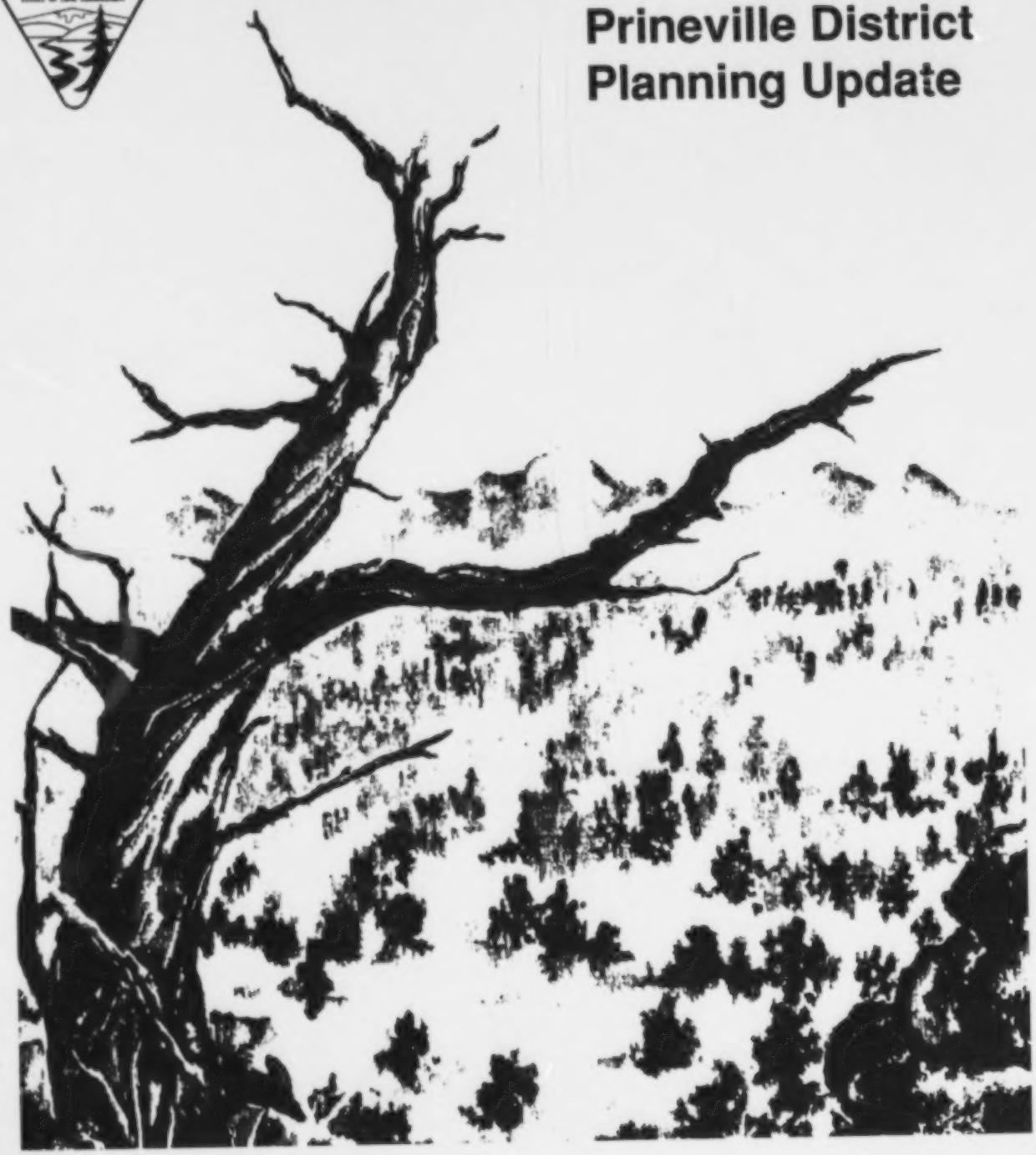

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As the Nation's principal conservation agency, the Department of the Interior has responsibility for most of our nationally owned public lands and natural resources. This includes fostering the wisest use of our land and water resources, protecting our fish and wildlife, preserving the environmental and cultural values of our national parks and historical places, and providing for the enjoyment of life through outdoor recreation. The Department assesses our energy and mineral resources and works to assure that their development is in the best interest of all our people. The Department also has a major responsibility for American Indian reservation communities and for people who live in Island Territories under U.S. administration.

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INTRODUCTION -

Management of the public lands is becoming more complex every year. Increasing emphasis is being placed on non-traditional uses of public lands and you the public are becoming much more involved with planning implementation, management strategies and resource conditions on these lands. Environmental legislation continues to be enacted by federal, state and even local jurisdictions adding to management complexity. Keeping you informed and involved helps you understand proposals and decisions and also helps BLM make proper decisions through our ongoing land use planning and implementation.

In an effort to better inform you, the Prineville District, along with the other three Eastern Oregon BLM Districts is launching a program of enhanced public notification and involvement with this mailer.

What You Can Find In This Document

We will produce a mailer like this one on an annual basis. A flexible format will be maintained, however you can expect to find the following material every year.

FEATURE ARTICLES: We will develop a number of articles on high public interest topics of concern throughout the District. For example, in this edition you can find articles on our Wild & Scenic River planning process, the Deschutes River Management Plan, Bighorn Sheep reintroduction, timber harvests in LaPine, Sutton Mountain land exchange and more. Future articles will be of this widespread interest and will portray our District's major annual accomplishments or upcoming events. A District map is included and keyed to these articles as well as other news items.

PROGRAM OF WORK SUMMARY: In order to give you a summary of work accomplished last fiscal year (Oct. 1, 1989 to Sept. 30, 1990) and work expected to be accomplished this fiscal year (1991) a summary of the work and units planned/accomplished is displayed. We realize that this is not very detailed, but it is designed to indicate the magnitude of the work we have done or are now doing.

PLAN IMPLEMENTATION PROGRESS REPORTS: We will maintain a regular reporting of progress made toward implementation of the District's three land use plans. These plans include the Two Rivers Resource Management Plan (RMP) completed in 1986, the John Day RMP (1985) and the Brothers-LaPine RMP (1989). We are not presently working on a plan, but will begin in FY92 to amend the John Day and Two Rivers RMP's. More detail on this amendment will be provided in our next annual planning update which will be completed by December 31, 1991. This current update gives you a brief summary of the progress made in implementing our three land use plans. We may also include such documents as Rangeland Program Summary Updates with this annual mailer.

VOLUNTEER PROGRAM ACTIVITY/OPPORTUNITIES: We depend very heavily on volunteer service by you the public in numerous activities/roles to help manage the public lands. Countless hours of high quality public service have been donated annually throughout our District and the State. This section of the mailer will highlight the valuable contributions that these dedicated volunteers make as well as giving details about the types of opportunities available for volunteer work in this District.

ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT (EA) REGISTER: The Eastern Oregon BLM Districts have been distributing an EA register to interested individuals and groups for several years. The process is being refined and will provide better information. Our District completed and sent out this EA register several months ago and therefore will not duplicate it in this mailer. You can expect to see it in our FY 92 mailer.

In summary, we hope you find this mailer interesting and informative. We want to make future such mailers even better and would appreciate any comments you may have regarding format, content, etc. Thanks for your continued interest in the Prineville District's activities. Send any such comments to: District Manager, Bureau of Land Management, P.O. Box 550, Prineville, OR 97754.

CALIFORNIA BIGHORN SHEEP REINTRODUCTION

A cooperative project between the Prineville BLM and the NE Region (Heppner office) of the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife has resulted in the reintroduction of California Bighorn Sheep in the lower John Day River canyon. Two separate releases have been completed since the project was approved in 1988.

Bighorn sheep (map ref. 1)

The first bighorn release occurred in February, 1989 in Devils Canyon, a major drainage of the John Day River. Fourteen sheep were released including four rams and ten ewes. All of these sheep were five years old or less. This first group of bighorn sheep were trapped on Hart Mountain in SE Oregon. Six sheep were fitted with radio collars in order to facilitate gathering information about the areas that the sheep use. The sheep have generally stayed together and in the vicinity of the release, but have at times split up into smaller groups and moved back and forth from adjacent drainages. The last census was done in June, 1990 and revealed an increase from the original 14 to 22, with none of the older rams located. It is assumed that these rams are still alive, but just not running with the ewe/lamb bands. If our assumption is correct about the older rams, the population has done very well during the first year and one-half.

In December 1990 the second release of bighorn sheep took place within five miles of the 1989 release. In order to maintain genetic diversity these bighorn sheep came from the Williams Lake area of British Columbia. An ideal ratio of twelve ewes and three rams were placed to facilitate a rapid expansion of the herd. Radio collars were also placed on some of these sheep but no monitoring of their activities has taken place.

All sheep were given eleven different blood tests and were certified to be disease free prior to their release. This extensive testing was undertaken to insure that the bighorn sheep would not pass on diseases to domestic livestock and also to enhance their own chance for survival in their new habitat. It is possible that at least one additional release of bighorn sheep will be done in the same general area of the John Day River canyon.

CENTRAL OREGON NATURAL RESOURCE COALITION

Concern about grazing management and the long term enhancement of the natural resources of the public land has led to the formation of the Central Oregon Natural Resource Coalition (CONRC). Originally started by several grazing permittees in the Prineville District's Deschutes Resource Area, the originators of this group successfully enlisted the interest and active participation of various individuals and representatives of or-

ganizations from throughout central Oregon and the entire State. BLM involvement includes several people from this office and includes line managers, range conservationists, wildlife and recreation specialists.

The goal of CONRC states: "The purpose of CONRC is to find opportunities through consensus building among varied interest groups for the enhancement of our natural resources (soil, water and vegetation) regardless of land ownership so the products of those resources, water quality, wildlife, recreation, livestock and wilderness can be sustained for present and future generations."

The group wanted to take an active role in public land management issues and actions. With this in mind they have held several meetings to develop their goals and conducted on-the-ground tours to become acquainted with the resources and activities. They were instrumental in identification of the need to develop Coordinated Resource Management Plans (CRMPs). The CONRC members are taking an active role in the Leslie Ranches and Pete Jameson CRMP development.

The BLM welcomes the efforts of this and similar groups to become involved in the management of our public land resources.

LA PINE ACCELERATED TIMBER HARVEST PROGRAM

The BLM manages 47,000 acres of commercial timber lands in the La Pine basin, south of Bend. Lodgepole pine is the dominant timber on these lands which have a sustained yield of about 3,000 MBF per year. In the early 1980's an epidemic of the Mountain Pine Beetle was discovered in the area and particularly in 22,000 acres of old growth lodgepole pine. These stands were particularly susceptible to disease and insect attack.

It became evident that the beetle would eventually kill all the susceptible trees in the area and BLM estimated that it would take 20 years for the epidemic to run its course. In 1981, after assessing the situation, it was decided to increase the timber harvest to 1,100 acres or about 8,000 MBF per year. Unfortunately the beetle epidemic proved to be much more virulent than pre-

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DISTRICT WINS NATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

In April 1990 the Prineville District received a top award in range conservation for its outstanding work in the restoration of riparian areas. The award was given by the non-profit educational organization, *Renew America* and was sponsored by the National Environmental Awards Council, a consortium of 24 major conservation and environmental groups. Awards were presented at a National Press Club luncheon in Washington, D.C. to 21 winners in the organization's first annual "Searching for Success" program.

The award recognized Prineville BLM's efforts to restore streams and riparian areas by implementing proper livestock grazing practices. The program has bridged a gap between landowners, BLM and the environmental community in a cooperative effort to implement grazing practices that provide vegetation along streams during high flows.

Over the past 15 years, the majority of riparian zones along more than 500 miles of perennial streams in the district have been improved. The program has resulted in improved water quality, increased summer stream flows, construction and protection of streambanks, improved fish and wildlife habitat, increased forage production, reduced sediment, and improved recreation. In many cases this improvement was achieved while maintaining and at times even increasing livestock use.

A White House reception was held for the award recipients where they were introduced to President George Bush. At another reception for recipients at the Norwegian Embassy, the District received an environmental achievement certificate from the Friends of the United Nations Environmental Program. Both awards are on display at the Prineville District office.

ACCELERATED TIMBER HARVEST—*continued from page 3*

dicted so that by 1989 all 22,000 acres of old growth lodgepole were attacked.

This mass of dead timber caused a great concern for the potential of incurring one or several catastrophic fires in the basin. With nearly 20,000 people living in this timbered area the potential for a great loss of property and life made the situation critical.

LaPine accelerated timer harvest (map ref. 9)

To reduce the extreme fire danger, in 1989 it was decided to harvest the remaining old growth as fast as the wood market would allow. The market for wood chips was strong which allowed the BLM to readily sell the dead lodgepole pine. Since 1989 approximately 58,000 MBF of lodgepole pine on 8,600 acres have been sold. Approximately 2,000 acres of the dead old growth trees remain.

Most of the trees have fallen down but they still retain commercial value. It is planned to sell and harvest the remaining area in FY 1992.

WILD AND SCENIC RIVER PLANNING

While the planning effort for the lower Deschutes River (see article on Deschutes River Management Plan) has been occupying much of our time, the Prineville District has seven other segments of rivers totalling 371 miles designated as wild and scenic. Our ongoing planning efforts include the following stretches of rivers:

*A single management plan will be developed for the John Day Basin and will include 147.5 miles on the main stem of the John Day River between Service Creek and Tumwater Falls and another 47 miles on the South Fork of the John Day from the Malheur National Forest boundary to Smokey Creek. This management plan will be a joint effort with the State of Oregon.

*Joint management planning with the Ochoco National Forest will be done on the North Fork of the Crooked River covering the 17.6 miles of BLM administered river and the 14.7 miles administered by the Ochoco National Forest.

*Eight miles of the Crooked River below Bowman Dam will be covered in another management plan.

*A combination plan with the Crooked River National Grasslands will cover 7 miles of the Crooked River from the National Grasslands boundary to just south of Opal Spring and also 19 miles of the Deschutes River between Oden Falls and Lake Billy Chinook.

*The Mt. Hood National Forest will work with us on the management plan for 46.5 miles of the White River. This plan will cover 24.4 miles of BLM administered river and 22.1 miles administered by the National Forest.

The Congressional legislation designating these rivers requires that the final plans be completed by the end of September 1992. Current work involves evaluation of the outstandingly remarkable values in these river segments. Public scoping of issues and alternatives for

South Fork John Day River

the upcoming management plans will begin in May. During the coming summer we will be gathering information to fill in existing data gaps with drafting of the management plans to follow in the fall and winter of 1991/92. The draft river management plans should be available for public comment in the spring of 1992.

Anyone with an interest in these river segments is encouraged to get involved in this planning process.

DESCHUTES RIVER MANAGEMENT PLAN

A joint planning effort involving BLM, 10 other Federal, State and local government agencies as well as a 9-member citizen advisory group is nearly to the point of publishing a long awaited draft management plan for the lower 100 miles of the Deschutes

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Lower John Day River

DESCHUTES PLAN—*continued from page 5*

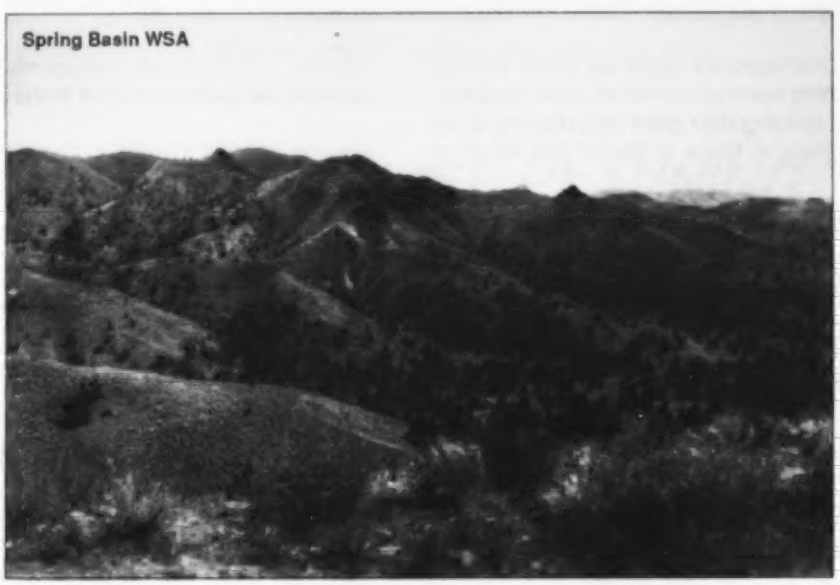
River. The area covered by the plan includes the area within the State Scenic Waterways and National Wild and Scenic Rivers boundaries downstream from Pelton Re-regulating Dam near Warm Springs to the Columbia River.

Issues from wildlife habitat needs to crowding problems between boaters are considered in the plan, which is expected to be released in May, 1991. A series of 10 public hearings during the 4 month public comment period will be held to obtain public comment to the proposals. The main areas of interest and controversy center around limiting recreation use levels, restricting motorboat use on the river and the method to be used to allocate permits to the public should it bcome necessary to institute a limited entry permit system.

Copies of the plan will be available from the Prineville District BLM Office located at 185 East 4th Street (P.O. Box 550) in Prineville, OR 97754 when it is completed. Those individuals or organizations already involved will receive a copy by mail.

WILDERNESS REVIEW

The Federal Land Management and Policy Act of 1976 requires the Secretary of the Interior to "...review those roadless areas of five thousand acres or more and roadless islands of the public lands, identified... during the inventory as having wilderness characteristics..." within 15 years of the passage of the Act. The 15 year review period is over in 1991.

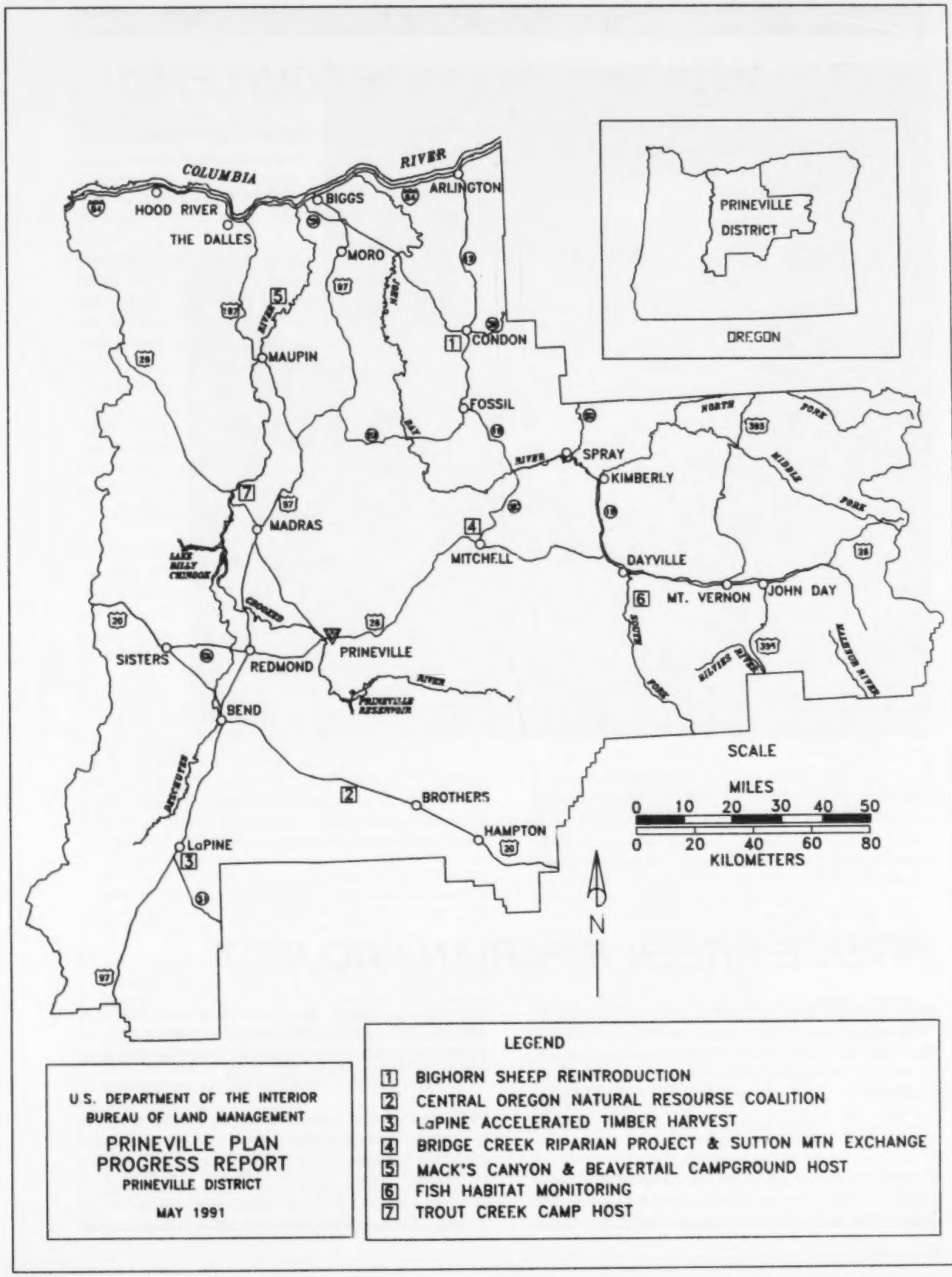

Spring Basin WSA

The BLM recommendations on wilderness resulting from this review must therefore be made to the Secretary of the Interior early this year so as to allow him to fulfill his obligation to report to the President.

The Prineville District completed and submitted Wilderness Study Reports with wilderness recommendations to the Oregon State Office on 14 Wilderness Study Areas on January 15, 1991.

This completed the District's Wilderness Review commitments in a process that started in 1978 when the Prineville District inventoried all of its 1.56 million acres for wilderness values. After an intensive inventory process was completed in 1980, a total of 175,748 acres in 14 Wilderness Study Areas were identified for further study. With the completion of the study phase, the District has recommended 7 areas totalling 97,510 acres for designation as wilderness.

Until Congress acts on these recommendations the BLM will continue to manage all the Wilderness Study Areas under our Interim Management Policy and Guidelines.



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PRINEVILLE PLAN PROGRESS REPORT

PRINEVILLE DISTRICT

MAY 1991

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SUTTON MOUNTAIN EXCHANGE COMPLETED

A process begun in 1986 was completed on January 17, 1991 with the final exchange of deeds to complete the fourth and final phase of the largest private exchange of lands in the history of the Prineville District.

Sutton Mountain Exchange

Over the years since the initial negotiations began, 50,000 acres of land have been brought into public ownership. This extensive exchange created a 100 square mile block of public land with state and county road public access. In exchange 9,696 acres of mostly isolated tracts of public land were transferred to private ownership.

Within this block of land lies significant anadromous fish spawning and rearing habitat, 6 miles of John Day River frontage, critical mule deer winter range, substantial upland bird and waterfowl habitat and a variety of recreational, watershed and cultural values.

In addition to the upland area of Sutton Mountain a significant portion of the Bridge Creek drainage was acquired. A major effort has begun to restore Bridge Creek to its potential as an anadromous fish spawning and rearing area and to restore the extensive riparian zone (see related article Bridge Creek Riparian Project).

BRIDGE CREEK RIPARIAN PROJECT

More than 500 people spent September 15 and 16, 1990 working on riparian improvement on BLM land near Mitchell. This massive project, the joint effort of the BLM and the Izaak Walton League's Public Lands Restoration Task Force, united volunteers with differing land use goals for the common task of repairing riparian habitat along Bridge Creek.

Bridge Creek, the focus of the project, is a major tributary of the John Day River. During the past several years BLM has worked to complete the Sutton Mountain land exchange (see related article *SUTTON MOUNTAIN LAND EXCHANGE COMPLETED*) to acquire approximately 50,000 acres in the drainage, including 20 miles of Bridge Creek.

Workers included over 400 citizen volunteers from Oregon, Washington, and California. Those involved came from all walks of life, ranging from young children to retirees. There were 16 different groups and 12 different agencies that had volunteers involved in the project. Crew leaders included 100 employees from

state and Federal natural resource agencies. Represented agencies included BLM's 10 Districts and the State Office, Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife, U.S. Forest Service, SCS and the OSU Extension Service.

Bridge Creek Riparian Project

The volunteers tackled projects ranging from planting trees and willow cuttings, placing a wildlife guzzler and planting grasses for wildlife, to placing logs and boulders in the stream to create steelhead spawning habitat. Groups also worked to put up signs for road management, removed fencing and garbage dumps, and placed juniper trees as riprap along stream banks to control erosion.

The donated labor along with donated materials and equipment use totalled over $79,000 with an estimated over 3200 hours of volunteer support spent on the project work. Most importantly, from the onset, the overall goals of the project were to complete quality projects, involve as many different interest groups as possible so that communication was opened up in a positive setting, and provide an opportunity for education to occur. We feel that not only the specific projects are benefitting the Bridge Creek area but the involvement of the various groups and individuals will continue to enhance the public lands management.

LEGACIES, A CELEBRATION OF CENTRAL OREGON'S PAST

The Prineville District of the Bureau of Land Management, in partnership with other Central Oregon public land managers (Ochoco and Deschutes National Forests and Bureau of Reclamation, Pacific Northwest Region) and The High Desert Museum, is hosting a cultural resource celebration in honor of our area's heritage. The event has been entitled "Legacies, A Celebration of Central Oregon's Past" and is scheduled to take place May 29 - June 2, 1991 at the Mountain View Mall in Bend, Oregon.

This event is tied to the BLM's national Recreation 2000 strategy and is in support of the Bureau of Land Management "Adventures in the Past" and the Forest Service "Windows on the Past" programs. Both of these programs were initiated to increase public awareness and appreciation of the significance of cultural resources and to promote public stewardship and involvement in the protection of archaeological and historical properties.

"Legacies, A Celebration of Central Oregon's Past" will occur over a five-day period. Although the first three days (Wednesday - Friday) will focus on school children from the Central Oregon area and the more rural communities to the east, the celebration will be open to the public all five days. Over 20 demonstrations, exhibits, and displays have been committed to the celebration including numerous prehistory and history exhibits covering such subjects as rockart, prehistoric dwellings, indigenous and homesteading skills, pioneer roads, and Chinese immigrants. Railroad and Civilian Conservation Corps displays and a Forest Service lookout will contribute to the more recent history of the area. Active demonstrations, a history theater, and maps showing historic sites that can be visited by the public will allow participants to enjoy their heritage in a more dynamic way.

We recognize that this event will require a large number of people to ensure that it runs smoothly. We estimate that we will need as many as 100 people per day on the weekend and at least 75 per day during the week to handle the more than 5,000 visitors that are expected. Personnel will be needed during the celebration to set-up, staff exhibits, provide security, provide visitor information, assist in school class tours, and help in clean-up and take down. Much of our hosting of the event will rely on volunteers from the agencies as well as the community at large. We would welcome any help the readers have to offer.

PROGRAM OF WORK SUMMARY

The Prineville District makes an annual commitment to a program of work through the budgeting process. The District tracks progress in accomplishing this program of work over the course of the year through a units of accomplishment accounting system. The following table presents a summary of the fiscal year 1990 units planned and units completed and the planned program for fiscal year 1991. We hope that this helps you keep track of the wide variety of multiple use management activities that are undertaken on public lands by the Prineville District annually.

Description	Measure	** Units Planned FY90	** Units Completed FY90	Units Planned FY91
Range Management				
Allotment Mgmt. Plans	# developed	0	0	3
Monitoring	Allots. Monit.	101	130	166
Lease and permit administr.	# issued	500	476	500
Project development	# developed	25	11	25
Weed Control	# projects	5	11	10
Soil, Water, Air				
Stream Inventory	miles of stream	2 mi.	0	2 mi.
	**Inventory is reported as acres when actual inventory is done by miles of stream, approx. 5 acres per mile.*			
Watershed Activity Plans	# completed	1	0	1
Soil Survey	000's acres	10	0	10
Water Rights Documentation	Water sources Quantified	15	10	25
Air Monitoring	# stations	3	8	8
Watershed Monitoring	# stations	250	250	250
Watershed improvemnts	# projects	0	0	12
Project maintainance	# maintained	1	1	3
Wild Horses and Burros				
Inventory	000's acres	57	57	0
Monitoring	Herd Mgmt Area	2	2	2
Compliance	Adoptions Checked	6	24	10
Forest Management				
Planning	# Plans	2	2	2
Timber Sales	MBF Offered	13,000	17,695	27,400
Other Forest Prods.	# permits	250	189	190
Forest Development				
Reforestation	acres	23	36	0
Timber Stand Improve.	acres	0	0	100

Description	Measure	** Units Planned FY90	** Units Completed FY90	Units Planned FY91
Fire Management				
Inventory	000's acres	0	0	5
Fire Plans	# completed	1	1	2
Hazard Reduction	000's acres	0	0	1
Lands & Realty				
Rights-of-Way	# grants	27	27	28
Private Exchanges	# acres	2280	653	4200
Trespass Abatement	# cases	8	21	10
Permits	# cases	4	12	8
Minerals Management				
Surface Mgnt. Notices	# reviewed	12	15	15
Surface Mgmt. Plans	# reviewed	3	2	2
Surface Mgmt. Inspec.	# reports	20	40	55
Geothermal Lease Operations	# drill perm.	3	2	3
Mineral Material Sale	# process.	1	7	7
Law Enforcement				
Agreements & Contract	# signed	6	6	6
Recreation				
Permitting	# permits	165	158	190
Res. Protection	# projects	1	1	1
Wilderness				
Study Area Reports	# completed	13	13	13
Interim Mgmt.	000's acres	196	196	196
Resource Protection	# projects	1	1	0
Cultural				
Activity Plan	# completed	0	0	1
Sites Mgmt.	# managed	15	50	30
Wildlife Habitat Mgmt.				
Inventory	000s acres	1	1	1
Monitoring	#	6	6	6
Hab. Projects	#	1	5	7
Maintenance	#	10	14	25
Endangered Spec. Mgmt.				
Inventory	000s acres	0	2	18
Plans	#	0	1	0
Monitoring	#	1	1	2
Implemented T & E Plans	#	1	3	1

***Units planned are estimates made prior to the start of the year and may vary considerably from the actual units completed due to changes in priorities during the year, public demand requests, etc.*

Plan Implementation Progress

- Three Resource Management Plans (RMP's) provide guidance and direction for all actions within the Prineville District. Lands within the District vary from well blocked areas in the southern high desert to dispersed small tracts in the northern portions. Acreage of public land managed by the District totals *1,645,500 acres.

Most of the implementation for this year and upcoming years centers on completion of activity plans for nationally designated wild and scenic rivers. These plans are required by law to be completed by September 30, 1992. See the feature articles on the Deschutes River Plan and the Wild and Scenic River Plans. Grazing evaluations and decisions continue as a major workload toward plan implementation. Agreements are being worked out with grazing licensees/lessees and affected interests on those allotments designated in our RMP decisions and Rangeland Program Summary Updates.

Riparian recovery continues to be a major implementation workload. Grazing systems are being designed to provide for vegetative recovery along streams and adjacent uplands. Juniper removal and burning are also being carried out according to plan.

Timber harvest in the LaPine area as described in the feature article is progressing well. We are within a couple of years of gaining control of the bug-killed lodgepole pine problem in that area.

Applications for rights-of-way, permits for land use, easements, and trespass resolution are increasing very rapidly especially in the Bend-Redmond-LaPine areas. The District is responding to this increase as much as our capability will allow. Land exchanges remain a very high priority and the District is actively working on a few exchanges this year. Support work for these exchanges is very time consuming and the process is slow, but the public values gained thus far are great.

Although our District did not experience any severe wildfires as those of our neighboring Burns BLM District, Ochoco and Deschutes National Forests, the threat of a major catastrophe exists into 1991 especially in the LaPine area. Prevention of such a catastrophe is a primary concern and actions are being taken to prevent such a catastrophe. Prescribed fire will be used to improve degraded juniper/sagebrush areas where soil erosion and/or loss of productivity is occurring. These areas are outlined in the RMP records-of-decision.

Our 1992 document will provide more detail on each resource activity. We would appreciate any comments regarding this information transfer process.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES FOR 1991

Opportunities abound for interesting and productive volunteer work in the Prineville District in 1991. Such activities as campground hosts, wildlife habitat monitoring, wilderness monitoring and several more all have a need for volunteer assistance. The following is a catalog of specific volunteer needs that the Prineville District has identified for 1991. A brief summary of each volunteer opportunity is displayed and show the project title, location, description, skill needs, number of positions, time period, and a contact name.

For additional information about the Prineville District Volunteer Program, contact Lynda Smith - (503) 447-4115.

1. ***Campground Host (Map Ref. 5)***
2. BLM Campground Host at Macks Canyon or Beavertail Campgrounds
3. Greet campers and boaters, monitor commercial guides and outfitters, provide information, collect user fees, perform occasional site and landscape maintenance. BLM will provide a free campsite with nearby toilets. Water will be provided but there is no electricity. Host must have own trailer or RV. Some assistance for utilities may be provided. The campground is located along the Wild and Scenic Deschutes River and has excellent fishing.
4. Hosts need to be friendly and outgoing and enjoy the outdoors. Must enjoy working in a remote setting.
5. (1) individual or couple
6. June through September
7. Shaaron Netherton
   BLM Prineville District
   Deschutes Resource Area
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   Prineville, Oregon 97754
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1. ***Fisheries Habitat Monitoring (Map Ref 6)***

2. South Fork of the John Day River.

3. Assist in monitoring of a BLM/BPA project designed to improve steelhead survival.

4. Ability to work outside during fall/winter conditions. Work involves being in and out of the river for various habitat measurements.

5. One (1) for 5 days.

6. September-October

7. Brad Keller/Dave Young
BLM Prineville District
Central Oregon Resource Area
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(503) 447-4115

1. ***Campground Host (Map Ref 7)***

2. BLM Campground Host at Trout Creek

3. Greet campers and boaters, monitor commercial guides and outfitters, provide information, collect user fees, perform occasional site and landscape maintenance. BLM will provide a free campsite with nearby toilets. There is no water or electricity. Host must have own trailer or RV. Some assistance for utilities may be provided. The campground is located along the Wild and Scenic Deschutes River and has excellent fishing.

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1. ***Volunteer Backcountry Wilderness Ranger***

2. Prineville District Office. Most of the Wilderness Study Areas (WSAs) are located approximately 40 to 150 miles southeast and northeast of the town of Prineville, Oregon

3. Monitoring Wilderness Study Areas (WSAs) conditions. Data needs to be gathered to establish a "base line" for future management actions, maintaining signs, and reporting non-conforming activities. This would, in part, mean establishing photo plots in high visitor use and/or fragile areas. This could be completed by anyone on a backpacking trip or a day outing. BLM will provide film and processing, but volunteers will need their own camera.

4. Ability to identify and/or recognize impacted use sites and then establish photo plots in these areas.

Ability to use cameras with accessories (35mm).

Ability to use and understand topographic maps.

Ability to use and understand a compass.

Ability to drive a four wheel drive vehicle on rough terrain.

Willingness to record photo plot site data on forms.

An understanding of the outdoors.

5 Individuals and/or small groups of two to three people.

6. A summertime activity (ongoing).

7. Roy Pearl
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1. ***Wildlife water (or guzzler) maintenance***

2. Prineville District, Hampton/Brothers Area

3. Maintenance of 60 wildlife guzzlers spread throughout the south half of the district.

4. Ability to work alone, ability to repair fences, catchments and storage tanks as needed. Ability to drive on undeveloped roads during adverse conditions.

5. Variable, open to individuals or groups. Number of guzzlers taken on depends on each person's available time and desire.

6. Work can be performed any time, with Oct.-Nov. and April-May the primary need periods.

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